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Dear Pound Net License Holder: Federal Bluefish Dealer:

As of May 5, 2008 the NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife has determined that approximately 120,000 pounds of bluefish have been landed during the 2008 Pound Net season. The quota allocated to the commercial POUND NET fishery has not been harvested. Based upon this information and pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:25-18.12(b), the **New Jersey commercial POUND NET bluefish fishery will be re-opened** as of 12:01 AM, Tuesday, May 6, 2008.

All landings harvested through the commercial pound net fishery will be reported daily to the NJDFW via, phone call or fax. Due to the limited number of participants and dealers involved in the pound net fishery, the season will close via fax and phone when the pound net quota is reached. All remaining bluefish dealers and fishermen will be notified when this event occurs through standard mail.

If you have any questions, please contact the Bureau of Marine Fisheries at 609-748-2020.

Sincerely,

David Chanda

Director

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